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--- COCKTAIL PARTY IN CLUBROOMS ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30th FROM 6 to 9 P. M. ---

NEXT WEEK BUSY WEEK FOR OPC

There will be a meeting of the Board of Governors in the Club Rooms at 1475 Broadway, at 8:30 P.M. on Friday, October 31st, Bob Considine, President, has announced. Notices have been sent to all officers and governors for Monday, October 27th, but the meeting has been postponed from Monday to Friday.

TUESDAY There will be a meeting of the Motion Picture Committee of the club in the offices at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, October 28th. Notices have been sent to the members of the Committee by Richard De Rochemont, Chairman.

The reception for members of the OPC at the Brooklyn Museum on Tuesday, October 28th, at 7 P.M., arranged for by Kathleen Cannell, will be followed by a program of Folk Dances of England and Scotland... complete with a piper.... There is also a very pleasant restaurant at the Museum where dinner can be had.

THURSDAY The House Committee announces the second get-together for members at a cocktail party from 6 to 9 P.M. in the club. The guest of honor is a mystery. However, Bill Chaplin has announced that Helen Hiatt, the very successful director of the New York Herald-Tribune forum, has invited two young Frenchmen, who are making an American debut here with their singing and guitar accompaniment, to be present.

With reference to the "off-the-record" statement adopted by the Board of Governors for use by the club in the future, part of the text prepared by John Daly of CBS reads as follows:

"Any remarks made by a guest, who has requested "off-the-record" privileges, before, during or after an OPC meeting, may be used only as background to any writing or broadcasting on the subject under discussion. Further, under no circumstances may any of the background be attributed to its source or used in any way which would suggest the source. The same rule applies to any information on any subject elicited from a guest of the OPC, who has requested off-the-record privileges, in informal exchanges before a meeting is officially convened, or afterwards."

"Members must accept responsibility for their guests in guaranteeing the privacy of our guest's remarks."

Bob Brumby is now with the MacNaught Syndicate at 60 East 42nd Street..... Andrew Rooney had an article in the September issue of Esquire magazine entitled "In Defense of Hollywood." Ray Brock has written his Painting the Town columns through March and his fictional piece "No Greater Love" is scheduled for December publication in Esquire. All this in preparation for his journey overseas.

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Roland Gask has resigned his position with the United Nations World and is now with Time magazine as a writer. Gerry was awarded a set of the E.B. and one war bond for stumping the experts on the October 2nd program of Information Please. He says he was stumped himself by the question-- a bit of Information Please editing. But he followed their advice: "Don't worry about it."

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU KNOW OF AN APARTMENT GOING BEGGING. THE OFFICE HAS REQUESTS FROM MEMBERS RANGING FROM FOUR ROOM APARTMENTS TO ONE ROOM. One of our members would like to sublet a large house in the Westchester section, price no object, for six months or a year.

Ralph Goldburgh of the New York Times recently reviewed five combat histories of Infantry Units in the Times Sunday Book Review. He served with some of these outfits in Europe during the war.

Charles Wertenbaker, chief of European office of Time-Life; Henry J. Taylor of Mutual Broadcasting Co., and Kenneth Giniger of Prentice Hall are OPC members of the Development Fund Drive of the University of Virginia, headed by Admiral Halsey.

A new radio show over WNEW is called "The Author Speaks His Piece". Authors appear on the show and give half-hour readings of their latest articles, books, plays, etc. Howard Whitman appeared on Wednesday, October 15th reading "Heartless Harvest", his recent series on migrant farm workers.

Ruth Karpf is doing a series of UN profiles for the Toronto Star Weekly- beginning with the heads of two newcomer nations, Pakistan and Yemen. (Ruth has discovered that the Queen of Sheba came from Yemen and that the secretary of the delegation is a Lebanese who has never been to Yemen.)

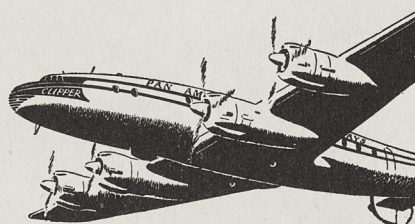
Julian Bach, Jr. is the author of an article in the October 25th issue of Collier's called "Your Child's Pictures Can Talk". Lawrence G. Blochman begins a series of thrillers for Collier's in the current issue with the story "But the Patient Died."

Coinciding with the Newsweek survey of newspapermen at the UN (OPC members included Nat Barrows, Charles Grumich, Pete Huss, Larry Lesueur and Edgar Ansel Mowrer) in which the consensus of opinion was that the UN is dying, Frank Gervasi had an article on "What's Wrong With the UN" in the October 18th issue of Collier's.

Clete Roberts passed through New York on October 20th en route to cover the trial of the Un-American Activities Committee in Washington.... Eugene Lyons has just finished his book on Herbert Hoover. It will be published in the spring by Doubleday Doran.

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Bill Chaplin of NBC and John McTigue of ABC covered the signing in Atlantic City of the International Telecommunications Treaty by 78 nations. Myer Agen, who was with the secretariat of the ITU for the past five months there, has returned to New York.

Rita Hume, doing freelance work in Europe, is living in Rome and sports a Chrysler convertible. OPC members in Italy say that a correspondent can have a fair sized apartment, a car, chauffeur and two servants on \$100 a week salary. Latest song to be heard is the American oldie, "Put The Blame On Me".

George Fielding Eliot, columnist for the New York Post, writes about "American Foreign Policy" in the October issue of the Woman's Home Companion. The article is preceded by a statement from General Marshall.

Edward Rosenthal of Reader's Scope, has sent a subscription of that magazine to the clubrooms.

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Three OPC members are stationed now in Santiago, Chile. They are Bob Benjamin of Time-Life; Dixon Donnelly of the Embassy (press attache) and Dick Massock of the Associated Press.

Henry Moscow, writing for the New York Post, reported the recent public investigation by the City Council of alleged police brutality here in New York city.

Don Pryor covered the Taft tour for CBS. He has returned to Washington.

NBC and CBS are now handling 75% of the State Department's short wave international broadcasting formerly done by the OIE, under temporary contracts with the government. Bill Brooks, V. P. in charge of News and International Relations, reported to the RADIO DAILY that 40 employees had been added to his staff to take care of the increased short wave traffic. Stanley Richardson, assistant to Brooks, is in charge.

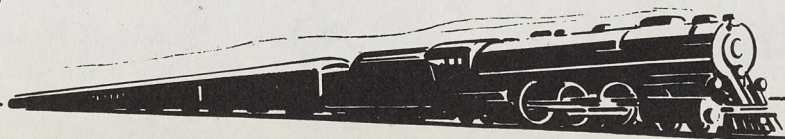
John Goette, in the October issue of The China Monthly, writes that "China's Foreign Policy is Well Balanced." Despite internal strife, China is doing the least to provoke international wrangling and the utmost to achieve One World.

William P. Carney, chief of bureau of the New York Times in Mexico, wrote in the Times of October 19th that "Mexico's exports show a sharp jump and that the unfavorable trade balance has been arrested. The government is curbing luxury imports heavily."

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The questionnaire to OPC members on those who had been to Russia, the editorial committee for the forthcoming book of the club on Russia (which will be published by E.P.Dutton and Co.), consisting of Joseph B. Phillips, Craig Thompson and W. W. Chaplin, found that over a period of the last thirty-five years, many OPC people had gone to Russia.

Some of them are... Hugh Schuck of the N.Y. Daily News; Isaac Don Levine, editor of Plain Talk; Leo Glassman; S. Miles Bouton; Hortense MacDonald; Beach Conger, Resort Editor of the Herald Tribune; William Zukerman; Cesar Searchinger of NBC; Gregor Ziemer of Town Hall; John Goette; Ralph Hartell; Roy Howard; Dean Carl Ackerman; Paul Harvey; Wilfred May; Gerold Frank; Harrison Forman; Arthur Fletcher; Roger Shaw; Bart L'Hommedieu; Manuel Konroff; Margaret Bourke White of Life Magazine and Ralph McGill, editor of the Atlanta Constitution. (List will be continued in next Bulletin.)

About ninety members and guests gathered at the Town Hall Club on Wednesday evening, October 15th to hear Robert Ruark, Scripps Howard columnist. Conversation buzzed thick and fast before dinner. Most of the dinner attendants returned to the clubrooms after the meeting and talked shop till one in the morning.

Glimpsed around were Johnny Martin of INS, Philip Reed, news editor of INS, Leo Margolin, former head of UNRRA in Italy; Thomas B. Morgan, former head of the Rome office of INS; Richard Tregaskis; Will Oursler; John Farrar, of Farrar and Straus and the author Richard Rovere who wrote the "History of Howe and Hummel" which was the jackpot of the evening; Hobert Douglas Skidmore; Steve Fulton; Pat Frank, new member and his guest, Nate Bienstock and Mrs. Norbert Lyons of the Hall of Fame of New York University.

Ruark said that he had not seen any starving people in Europe during his trip, although he did not pretend to have covered the territory thoroughly. He said that there had always been starving people in Italy, especially, but there were probably more. He blamed the faulty administration of our relief operations for the disappearance of much food into the black market.

Ruark thinks that the Marshall Plan will work and he does not think that Italy will ever be communist. Touching on the General Lee episode, Bob said that he had found that the ordinary soldier was discriminated against and that the top command ruled supreme under Lee.

Richard De Rochemont, producer of the March of Time, remarked that the plan for aid to Europe was not based on the actual starvation of Europeans as much as it was planned to alleviate the food plight of Europe; prevent the great middle class for which bread in plenty is a symbol of economic stability from breaking up and most of the bourgeoisie falling into the proletariat.

Hester E. Hensell, Editor



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